

WHAT IS CLAIMED IS:

1. (Amended) A method for setting up a connection between a local communication facility and a central communication facility, comprising the steps of:

- 5           entering a specific telephone number on said local communication facility;
- initializing, by said local communications facility in response to said step of entering a specific telephone number, a setup of a connection between said local communication facility and said central communication facility;
- activating, by a central control unit of said central communication facility, a  
10   callback module of said central communication facility;
- terminating said setup of said connection; and
- automatically initializing a setup, by said central control unit, of a new connection between said central communication facility and said local communication facility by accessing said callback module.

15           2. (Amended) The method as claimed in claim 1, further comprising the step of identifying a subscriber using said local communication facility before said callback module is activated.

          3. (Amended) The method as claimed in claim 2, wherein said subscriber is identified using a subscriber-specific codeword and a facility-internal telephone  
20   number associated with said subscriber in said central communication facility.

          4. (Amended) The method as claimed in claim 1, further comprising the step of terminating said setup of said connection between said local communication facility and said central communication facility only after entry of a specific key combination on said local communication facility.

25           5. (Amended) The method as claimed in claim 4, wherein said new connection is set up using a telephone number which is automatically transmitted from said local communication facility to said central communication facility as part of said connection setup.

6. (Amended) The method as claimed in claim 4, wherein said new connection is set up using a telephone number which is transmitted to said central communication facility together with said specific key combination.

5 7. (Amended) The method as claimed in claim 4, wherein said new connection is set up using a telephone number which is stored in a database of said central communication facility.

8. (Amended) The method as claimed in claim 1, further comprising the steps of:

10 starting a timer in said central communication facility when said setup of said connection has been terminated; and

initializing said setup of said new connection only when said timer has run out.

9. (Amended) A communication installation, comprising:

15 access units for connecting communication terminals and communication networks to said communication installation; and

a central control unit for controlling functions of said communication installation, comprising a callback module and a database;

20 said central control unit being designed such that it terminates a setup, initialized by an entry of a specific telephone number on a remote communication terminal, of a connection between said remote communication terminal and said communication installation by accessing said callback module and said database and automatically initializing a setup of a new connection by said communication installation.